

Frank Baker May Come To Griffmen---Boston Red Sox Will Bear Watching

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GRIFF ALLOWS SHAW TO STAY ON MOUND TOO MANY INNINGS

Boehling Is Not Sent to His Relief Until Tenth and Final at Cleveland Is Dropped.

Off Day in City of Straits Finds Players' Interests Centered in Horse Races.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

DETROIT, July 21.—An off day in the City of Straits finds most of the Griffmen over in Windsor across the river, watching the ponies in action. As soon as the boys finished breakfast parties were formed for the jaunt to the race track and it will be a tired gang tonight. It is unlikely that they will win or lose much money, for pay days don't happen on the road and few are carrying more than the most modest rolls.

The Philadelphia Mackmen are still here, going to Cleveland tonight. Many of Connie's athletes joined the Griff in making the trip to Windsor. The two squads fraternized in a quiet way around the hotel and there wasn't the slightest sign of rivalry between them.

Old Fox Griffith tempted fate too far in that final clash in the Forest City. Fate suddenly swung around and swatted Griffith right in the eyes. Don't blame the players, blame Griffith. He let Jim Shaw remain on the mound altogether too long, that is all, and the alleged Indians picked up courage and won, 5 to 4, in ten innings.

Jim Shaw was unmercifully slammed by the Indians throughout the game, but the Old Fox feared to hurt his feelings by applying the derrick. Therefore the big fellow pursued his wicked way all along the route down to the crucial moment. Yes, and he went beyond that, allowing the alleged Indians to score in the eighth and ninth.

When the alleged Indians came up in the ninth the Griff led, 4 to 3. Shaw had been wobbly all day, but the Old Fox never turned a hair when Hoffman, hitting for Walker, drove a single to left. An Eschen forced Hoffman, Griff smiled, Gallia and Boehling were warming up hurriedly in the field, but nothing happened when Ray Chapman punched a sizzling single to right. With Southworth at bat, the Griff hit, Griff right in the eye. Old Man Fate is a tough guy, isn't he? When Kike drove a hot one through McBride, scoring Eschen with the tying tally. Then, when it was too late, came Ray Chapman. He disposed of Elmer Smith, a southpaw hitter, ending the frame, but succumbed to the cavalcade of right-handers in the tenth.

After Connolly had tossed out Barbare in the tenth, Wambegans singled sharply to center. Steve O'Neill came up and drove to the extreme corner of left for two bases, scoring Wambey with the winning run. Right there, a winning streak of the Griffmen stopped at six. Right there Griff got what was coming to him.

Shaw was murderously fast, but the alleged Indians were wise enough to get him in holes and punch the crippler he had to serve up. A most interesting game saw the Phillies slip a couple of bingles and nothing but the extremes of the good fortunes saved the Pittsburghers from having their heads knocked off. Not till the seventh, when Chapman's error allowed the Griff to take the lead, did Griffith send anybody out to warm up. Not till the fat was on the fire in the ninth did he make any change. That walloper yesterday sent the Griff to the city with twelve victories and fifteen defeats on the trip.

Dixie Walker was in fine fettle all through the game, but he was a little off in the first six frames he gave the Griffmen just what they needed. And it wasn't until the seventh, when he forced ahead in the seventh, he out-pitched Shaw in every way.

Chapman's single and steal in the first frame, followed by Griffith's blow gave the alleged Indians their first tally. With two gone in the third Southworth, who had succeeded Griff on the latter's injury, walked and scored all around when Foster tossed Kike's drive to the stand, the hit first sack going to second, from where he scored on Smith's single to center.



TRY AS WE WILL, WE CAN'T MAKE ANYTHING ELSE OUT OF THE PENNANT PROBLEM.

Deal Said to Be On To Bring Baker Here

Connie Mack, Ban Johnson, and Clark Griffith All in Same City Brings Out Rumor That Washington Club Is to Be Built Up Immediately.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

DETROIT, July 21.—With Old Fox dodging answers, and with President Ban Johnson and Connie Mack in town at the same time, dame rumor is busier than ever.

Now it is said that efforts may be made to induce Connie Mack to part with Frank Baker, the Washington club to pay for him on a straight cash basis, no players being involved.

Connie declines to discuss such a deal, but it is believed that Ban Johnson is here for the express purpose of persuading the Philadelphia leader to change his decision to have Baker play with the Athletics or not at all. Just what success he will have remains to be seen.

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With Cantillon's club Engel will have plenty of work, and if it is possible for him to develop he should return to the Griff a much improved twirler.

Tommy Connolly or Douglas Neff will probably follow Engel to Minneapolis as if the latter deal goes through. If the Griff gets another infielder, soon after Griffith's return to the Griff a much improved twirler.

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Elberfeld Manager

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., July 21.—Norman "Kid" Elberfeld, the former Dodger and Yankee, today was appointed manager of the local Southern League team, succeeding Harry McCormick, formerly of the New York Giants, who becomes scout for the Chattanooga.

League Standing

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs.

Won.	Lost.	Pct.	Today—
Boston	52	29	.642
Detroit	52	31	.625
Chicago	52	33	.612
New York	42	41	.506
Washington	42	42	.500
St. Louis	32	49	.400
Philadelphia	29	53	.354
Cleveland	29	54	.348

Tomorrow's Games.

Washington at Detroit.
New York at Chicago.
Boston at St. Louis.
Philadelphia at Cleveland.

Today's Games.

Boston at St. Louis.
No other games scheduled.

Yesterday's Results.

Cleveland, 6; Washington, 4.
Detroit, 4; Philadelphia, 6.
Boston, 5; Chicago, 6.
St. Louis, 3; New York, 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs.

Won.	Lost.	Pct.	Today—
Philadelphia	43	34	.558
Chicago	43	35	.552
Brooklyn	43	38	.531
New York	43	39	.523
St. Louis	43	40	.518
Pittsburgh	43	41	.512
Cincinnati	43	42	.506
Baltimore	43	43	.500
Cleveland	43	44	.494

Tomorrow's Games.

Pittsburgh at New York.
Chicago at Boston.
St. Louis at Brooklyn.
Cincinnati at Philadelphia.

Today's Games.

St. Louis at New York.
Cincinnati at Boston.
Pittsburgh at Brooklyn.
Chicago at Philadelphia.

Yesterday's Results.

Philadelphia, 4; Chicago, 6.
St. Louis, 3; New York, 1.
Pittsburgh, 6; Brooklyn, 2.
Boston, 6; Cincinnati, 5.

FEDERAL LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs.

Won.	Lost.	Pct.	Today—
Kansas City	48	24	.667
Chicago	48	25	.659
St. Louis	48	26	.647
Pittsburgh	48	28	.625
Newark	48	31	.556
Brooklyn	48	32	.545
Buffalo	48	33	.538
Baltimore	48	34	.529

Tomorrow's Games.

Brooklyn at St. Louis.
Baltimore at Kansas City.
Buffalo at Pittsburgh.
Newark at Chicago.

Today's Games.

Brooklyn at Chicago.
Baltimore at St. Louis.

Yesterday's Results.

St. Louis, 4; Baltimore, 1.
Baltimore, 7; St. Louis, 1.
Buffalo, 6; Pittsburgh, 5.
Brooklyn, 3; Chicago, 1.
Newark, 6; Kansas City, 6.

Yankees Buy Outfielder From Internationals

NEW YORK, July 21.—Outfielder Barney, who has been the speed marvel of the International League this year and has hit consistently for an average of .320, was purchased from the Jersey City club by the Yankees yesterday. He left the team before the scheduled double header in Skeeterville and headed west to join Manager Donovan in Chicago.

Boston Red Sox Will Bear Close Watching

Carrigan's Crew Has Swept Through West in Galant Form and Is Not Likely to Meet With Worse Result in Home Garden.

By KIRK C. MILLER.

As we're sittin' and talkin' and speakin' with one another and viewin' this pennant pursuit from its various and complex angles, let's speak a word o' cheer for the Boston Red Sox, who simply can't be denied their proper place in championship conversation.

After sittin' 'round, sittin' on the stove, and never spendin' a cent, the best advice we can offer you is watch closely the antics of Bill Carrigan and his crew. After all of the arguments have been presented each of us has the right to sneak off with our own private convictions, that's a privilege which comes with our advent into the land of the free, etc., for after watching Bill hustle through the West, cleaning up for the White Sox and Tigers, the two most dangerous aspirants to the crown, we can't see how this same opposition is going to meet with much better success when they go up to Fenway Field to attack Bill under his own vine and fig tree.

It took Carrigan a little while to get his combination into full swing, but with an outfield composed of Speaker, Lewis, and Hooper and a pitching staff of most gladiators as Shaver, Leonard, Ruth, Collins, Foster, and Smoky Joe Wood, all going good as July approaches its end, we simply got to give 'em considerable credit for the better part of a philosophy which emanates from our organs of conversation.

We're not asking all of you bugs to agree with us and we're not posing as prophets, weather or baseball, but without appearing at all dictatorial or editorial in the least, permit us to point a finger of precaution at the Red Sox, who appear to have not yet begun to fight, as John Paul Jones reminded.

Carrigan leads his band back home at the end of this week and there they will fight for the better part of a month. He is likely to trench his aspiring army in such a firm position that nothing short of frost will drive them in. Again, look out for Boston!

Only yesterday Boston proved conclusively that it is the master of Chicago, the one club which has been mostly feared this season. The youthful Mr. Shore was on the hill and perfunctory two hits and thereby shut out Chicago, 3 to 0. Chicago seems to have lost its batting eye completely, the one important element which helped it to the front in the early-season games.

For the fourth time this season, the Yankees have been counted out in the ninth inning in games played with those St. Louis Browns. The fourth time this season the Yankees occurred yesterday when opportunity knocked at Donovan's door and found nobody home. The Browns won by 3 to 2.

Those Yankees adopted a policy of wasting chances early in the game and such a system is sufficient to discourage any pitcher, especially when he is a youngster with a disposition like Carroll Brown's. He had good control yesterday and Nunnemaker was responsible for the first hand-icap to the pitcher when he threw the sphere to the right field bleachers, giving the Browns the lead. They kept it until the sixth when New York tied it in the ninth when the Browns bunched two fluke hits and one decidedly "unlucky" hit and the bases all lined up for a robbery and then the winning run.

Detroit made it four straight for the Athletics by winning yesterday, 6 to 3.

GRANEY MAY BE OUT WHEN MOST NEEDED

Fractures Small Bone in His Foot When His Spikes "Misbehave."

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

DETROIT, July 21.—Jack Grane, the crack outfielder of the Cleveland club, may be out of the game for several weeks right at a time when he is most needed. In the first inning yesterday he was caught between second and third and finally tagged by Foster. In making a quick turn to escape being touched by the ball, his spikes in his right shoe held to the hard soil around the short field and he fell heavily, fracturing a small bone on the right side of his left leg just above the ankle. He had to be carried from the field.

Just how serious the injury may be will not be disclosed until an x-ray examination is made, but he will hardly be able to play ball for some time. Without him, the Cleveland outfield will be very much bush, Southworth, Eschen, and Smith being below major league caliber, though Smith is coming ahead fast.

The attendance in the last game of the Cleveland series was the worst seen anywhere this season by the Griffmen. Not more than 200 fans were in the park, and a large part of that number must have been deadheads. Except in the right field pavilion, it was possible to count the attendance without any difficulty. The crowd looked like a Federal League gathering.

Joe Boehling will probably open the series here tomorrow against the Tigers, followed by Johnson, Gallia, and Shaw in the order named.

Shaw fanned five alleged Indians yesterday, but he also gave twelve hits, most of which were hard drives. He had three balls on almost every batsman facing him. Chapman got two of his three hits on the last ball that Shaw simply had to put across the plate. Why he was allowed to remain on the rubber will remain a mystery, as the Old Fox isn't talking much about it.

Eddie Ansmithe was relieved in the sixth by John Henry after making one of his customary high legs to second when Southworth stole. With the Griff trailing and Shaw wild as a mad hatter, the Old Fox didn't care to trust the Cambridge boy much. Ansmithe's legs in practice can't be beaten, if equalled. In a game, though, it is generally different. Henry's work was gilt-edged when he took up the job of keeping Shaw down on earth.

Barbare was sound asleep in the eighth. His third strike got away from Henry, and, by getting a quick start, he might have beaten the peg easily. He then got glued to the ground, and the few fans bawled him out unmercifully. Barbare is a fair fielder, but is lemon with the stick, and is hardly batted enough to stay in last company. However, he has company on his team.

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Eschen	5	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Chapman	4	3	6	1	1	0	0	0	0
Griff	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southworth	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kike	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Smith	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barbare	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wambegans	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
O'Neill	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walker	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoffman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoffman	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	41	14	10	13	1	0	0	0	0

*Batted for Walker in ninth.
Hitless for Neff in eighth.
20ne out when winning run scored.
Cleveland.....102 600 601 1-5
Washington.....102 200 200 0-4
Runs—Eschen, Chapman, Southworth, Kike, Wambegans, Mueller, Foster, Milan, and Shanks. Stolen bases—Chapman and Southworth. Earned runs—Cleveland, 4; Washington, 2. Two-base hit—O'Neill. Three-base hit—Foster. Sacrifice fly—Shanks. Hits—Off Shaw, 12 in 5; 3 innings off Boehling, 2 in 2; 3 innings off Walker, 6 in 9; 2 innings off Eschen, none in 1; 1 inning. First base on errors—Cleveland, 1; Washington, 1. Left on bases—Cleveland, 12; Washington, 2. Time of game—2 hours and 2 minutes.

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